#### IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

### FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: : CRIMINAL NO. <u>08-613</u>

v. : DATE FILED: 10/1/08

TYREE AIMES : VIOLATIONS:

18 U.S.C. § 1951(a) (conspiracy to

interfere with interstate commerce by

robbery - 1 count)

: 18 U.S.C. § 1951(a) (interference with

interstate commerce by robbery

: - 5 counts)

18 U.S.C. § 924(c)(1) (using and carrying

: a firearm during a crime of violence

- 5 counts)

: 18 U.S.C. § 2 (aiding and abetting)

### **INFORMATION**

### **COUNT ONE**

#### THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES THAT:

At all times relevant to this information:

1. The following businesses located in Philadelphia, Clifton Heights,

Darby, and Upper Darby, Pennsylvania were engaged in interstate commerce:

- a. Dunkin Donuts, 809 S. Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA;
- b. 7-Eleven, 500 E. Baltimore Avenue, Clifton Heights, PA;
- c. 7-Eleven, 731 Main Street, Darby, PA; and
- d. Dunkin Donuts, 3216 N. Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA.
- e. 7-Eleven, 631 Long Lane, Upper Darby, PA;

2. From on or about February 27, 2007, through on or about March 1, 2007, in Philadelphia, Clifton Heights, Darby, and Upper Darby in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and elsewhere, defendant

#### **TYREE AIMES**

conspired and agreed, together with persons known to the United States Attorney, to commit robbery, which robbery would unlawfully obstruct, delay and affect commerce, and the movement of articles and commodities in commerce, in that defendant AIMES conspired to unlawfully take and obtain money and other items of value from the businesses set forth in paragraph 1 above, in the presence of employees and customers of the businesses, and against their will, by means of actual and threatened force, violence, and fear of injury, immediate and future, to their person and property, all in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1951(a), (b)(1), and (b)(3).

### MANNER AND MEANS

It was part of the conspiracy that defendant TYREE AIMES and other persons known to the United States Attorney:

- 3. Stole over \$1,060 in cash and property through the commission of five armed robberies of the businesses listed in paragraph 1 above, and by placing patrons and employees of those businesses in fear of physical harm;
- 4. Traveled together to the business establishments opened for service to the general public in Philadelphia, Clifton Heights, Darby, and Upper Darby, Pennsylvania;
- 5. Used a silver revolver or a pistol-grip shotgun in the commission of each robbery;

- 6. Threatened and intimidated at gunpoint the patrons and employees working at the businesses to obtain cash and other property; and
  - 7. Received a portion of the stolen money.

### **OVERT ACTS**

In furtherance of the conspiracy and to effect the objects of the conspiracy, defendant TYREE AIMES and other persons known to the United States Attorney committed the following overt acts, among others, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and elsewhere:

## THE FIRST FEBRUARY 27, 2007 - DUNKIN DONUTS ARMED ROBBERY

On or about February 27, 2007, at approximately 12:05 a.m.:

- 1. Defendant TYREE AIMES, robber #1, and a third male (robber #2) drove to the Dunkin Donuts, located at 809 S. Broad Street in Philadelphia, in a gold Buick armed with a handgun.
- 2. Robber #1 and robber #2 entered the store with the handgun, while defendant AIMES remained in the car. Inside the store, robber #1 and robber #2 demanded money from an employee of the store and stole approximately \$300 and a cell phone.
- 3. Robber #1 and robber #2 fled the store, and defendant AIMES drove them away in the gold Buick. The three robbers subsequently shared the stolen money.

# THE FIRST FEBRUARY 27, 2007 - 7-ELEVEN ARMED ROBBERY

On or about February 27, 2007, at approximately 1:43 a.m.:

4. Defendant TYREE AIMES, robber #1, and robber #2 drove to the 7-Eleven, located at 500 E. Baltimore Avenue in Clifton Heights, in a gold Buick armed with a handgun.

- 5. At gunpoint, robber #1 and robber #2 demanded money from an employee of the store and stole money, cigarettes, and food, while defendant AIMES remained in the gold Buick as the getaway driver.
- 6. After robber #1 and robber #2 fled the store, defendant AIMES drove them away. The three robbers subsequently shared the stolen money.

# THE SECOND FEBRUARY 27, 2007 - 7-ELEVEN ARMED ROBBERY

On or about February 27, 2007, at approximately 2:30 a.m.:

- 7. Defendant TYREE AIMES, robber #1, and robber #2 drove to the 7-Eleven, located at 731 Main Street in Darby, in a gold Buick armed with a handgun.
- 8. At gunpoint, robber #1 and robber #2 demanded money from an employee of the store, stole money from the cash register, and the wallet, cell phone, and \$370 from the cashier, while defendant AIMES remained in the gold Buick as the getaway driver.
- 9. After robber #1 and robber #2 fled the store, defendant AIMES drove them away. The three robbers subsequently shared the stolen money.

### THE SECOND FEBRUARY 27, 2007 - DUNKIN DONUTS ARMED ROBBERY

On or about February 27, 2007, at approximately 3:30 a.m.:

- 10. Defendant TYREE AIMES, robber #1 and robber #2 drove to the Dunkin Donuts, located at 3216 N. Broad Street in Philadelphia, in a gold Buick armed with a handgun.
- 11. Robber #1 and robber #2 entered the store, while defendant AIMES remained at the door as a lookout. At gunpoint, robber #1 and robber #2 demanded money from an employee of the store and stole approximately \$300 and a cell phone.
  - 12. After robber #1 and robber #2 fled the store, defendant AIMES drove them

away in the gold Buick and subsequently shared the stolen money.

# THE MARCH 1, 2007- 7-ELEVEN ARMED ROBBERY

On or about March 1, 2007, at approximately 4:30 a.m.:

- 13. Defendant TYREE AIMES and robber #1 drove to the 7-Eleven located at 631 Long Lane in Upper Darby in a gold Buick automobile.
- 14. Defendant AIMES and robber #1, who was armed with a pistol-grip shotgun, entered the store, pulled out the gun, demanded money from the cashier, and stole an undetermined amount of cash from the cash register, cigarettes from the store, plus an additional \$45 and a cell phone from the cashier.
- 15. As soon as defendant AIMES and robber #1 exited the store and returned to the car, defendant AIMES drove away.
- 16. TYREE AIMES and robber #1 subsequently shared the stolen money and cigarettes they obtained from the robbery.

### **COUNT TWO**

### THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

- 1. Paragraph 1.a. of Count One of this information is incorporated here.
- 2. On or about February 27, 2007, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

### **TYREE AIMES**

obstructed, delayed and affected commerce, and the movement of articles and commodities in commerce, by robbery, in that, defendant AIMES unlawfully took and obtained, and aided and abetted the taking and obtaining of, cash from the Dunkin Donuts, located at 809 S. Broad Street, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in the presence of an employee and a patron of the Dunkin Donuts and against their will, by means of actual and threatened force, violence, and fear of injury, immediate and future to the employee and patron of Dunkin Donuts, by pointing a firearm at, demanding money from, and otherwise threatening them.

### **COUNT THREE**

### THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about February 27, 2007, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

### **TYREE AIMES**

knowingly used and carried, and aided and abetted the use and carrying of, a firearm, during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, that is, conspiracy to interfere with interstate commerce by robbery and interference with commerce by robbery, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1951(a) and 2.

## **COUNT FOUR**

### THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

- 1. Paragraph 1.b. of Count One of this information is incorporated here.
- 2. On or about February 27, 2007, in Clifton Heights, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

### **TYREE AIMES**

obstructed, delayed and affected commerce, and the movement of articles and commodities in commerce, by robbery, in that, defendant AIMES unlawfully took and obtained, and aided and abetted the taking and obtaining of, cash from the 7-Eleven, located at 500 E. Baltimore Avenue, in Clifton Heights, Pennsylvania, in the presence of employees of the 7-Eleven and against their will, by means of actual and threatened force, violence, and fear of injury, immediate and future to the employees of 7-Eleven, by pointing a firearm at, demanding money from, and otherwise threatening them.

### **COUNT FIVE**

### THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about February 27, 2007, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

### **TYREE AIMES**

knowingly used and carried, and aided and abetted the use and carrying of, a firearm, during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, that is, conspiracy to interfere with interstate commerce by robbery and interference with commerce by robbery, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1951(a) and 2.

### **COUNT SIX**

### THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

- 1. Paragraph 1.c. of Count One of this information is incorporated here.
- 2. On or about February 27, 2007, in Darby, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

### **TYREE AIMES**

obstructed, delayed and affected commerce, and the movement of articles and commodities in commerce, by robbery, in that, defendant AIMES unlawfully took and obtained, and aided and abetted the taking and obtaining of, cash from the 7-Eleven, located at 731 Main Street in Darby, Pennsylvania, in the presence of an employee of the 7-Eleven and against his will, by means of actual and threatened force, violence, and fear of injury, immediate and future to the employee of 7-Eleven, by pointing a firearm at, demanding money from, and otherwise threatening him.

### **COUNT SEVEN**

### THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about February 27, 2007, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

### **TYREE AIMES**

knowingly used and carried, and aided and abetted the use and carrying of, a firearm, during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, that is, conspiracy to interfere with interstate commerce by robbery and interference with commerce by robbery, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1951(a) and 2.

### **COUNT EIGHT**

### THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

- 1. Paragraph 1.d. of Count One of this information is incorporated here.
- 2. On or about February 27, 2007, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

### **TYREE AIMES**

obstructed, delayed and affected commerce, and the movement of articles and commodities in commerce, by robbery, in that, defendant AIMES unlawfully took and obtained, and aided and abetted the taking and obtaining of, cash from the Dunkin Donuts, located at 3216 N. Broad Street, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in the presence of an employee of the Dunkin Donuts and against his will, by means of actual and threatened force, violence, and fear of injury, immediate and future to the employee of Dunkin Donuts, by pointing a firearm at, demanding money from, and otherwise threatening him.

## **COUNT NINE**

### THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about February 27, 2007, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

### **TYREE AIMES**

knowingly used and carried, and aided and abetted the use and carrying of, a firearm, during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, that is, conspiracy to interfere with interstate commerce by robbery and interference with commerce by robbery, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1951(a) and 2.

### **COUNT TEN**

### THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

- 1. Paragraph 1.e. of Count One of this information is incorporated here.
- 2. On or about March 1, 2007, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

### **TYREE AIMES**

obstructed, delayed and affected commerce, and the movement of articles and commodities in commerce, by robbery, in that, defendant AIMES unlawfully took and obtained, and aided and abetted the taking and obtaining of, cash from the 7-Eleven, located at 631 Long Lane, Upper Darby, Pennsylvania, in the presence of an employee of the 7-Eleven and against his will, by means of actual and threatened force, violence, and fear of injury, immediate and future to the employee of 7-Eleven, by pointing a firearm at, demanding money from, and otherwise threatening him.

### **COUNT ELEVEN**

### THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FURTHER CHARGES THAT:

On or about March 1, 2007, in Philadelphia, in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, defendant

### **TYREE AIMES**

knowingly used and carried, and aided and abetted the use and carrying of, a firearm, during and in relation to a crime of violence for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, that is, conspiracy to interfere with interstate commerce by robbery and interference with commerce by robbery, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1951(a) and 2.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 924(c)(1) and 2.

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